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Hongkong, 14th August, 1897.

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Hongkong, 1st August, 1897.

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LIMITED.

Authorized Capital \$1,000,000

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..... T. H. WHITHEAD,
Manager, Hongkong.

Hongkong, 2nd June, 1897.

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Hongkong, 2nd March, 1897.

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THE Underwriting AGENTS of the above
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Class FOREIGN and CHINESE RISKS at
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SIEMSEN & CO.

Hongkong, 28th May, 1897.

GENERAL NOTICE.

THE ON-TAX INSURANCE COMPANY
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CAPITAL, TAELs. 100,000

EQUAL TO \$1,500,000

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Hongkong, 1st December, 1897.

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Hongkong, 1st December, 1897.

To-day's
Advertisement.

GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.
No. 445.

THE following Particulars and Conditions of Sale of Crown Land by Public Auction, to be held on the spot, on

MONDAY,

the 1st day of November, 1897, at 3 P.M. are published for general information.

Particulars and Conditions of the letting by Public Auction Sale, to be held on Monday, the 1st day of November, 1897, at 3 P.M., by Order of His Excellency the Governor, of Two Lots of CROWN LAND, at Pencival Street, East Point, in the Colony of Hongkong, for a term of 999 Years.

By Command,

J. H. STEWART LOCKHART,
Colonial Secretary.

Hongkong, 25th October, 1897. [164-1622]

PARTICULARS OF THE LOT.

No.	Locality.	Boundary Measurements		Contents	Rate	Per cent.
		W.	N.			
Linked Lot	Pencival Street, East Point	2.40	0.00	150. 7.115		
		0.60	0.60	100. 7.000		

ZETLAND LODGE,

No. 525, E.C.

A REGULAR MEETING of the above LODGE will be held in the FREEMASONS' HALL, Zetland Street, on MONDAY, the 1st November, at 8.30 for 9 p.m. precisely. Visiting Brethren are cordially invited to attend; Hongkong, 25th October, 1897. [163]

HONGKONG RIFLE ASSOCIATION.
INTERPORT MATCH.

THERE will be practice on WEDNESDAY, THURSDAY and SATURDAY AFTERNOONS.

All Shooting Members are requested to turn up to these PRACTICES, and send their Scores to the Undersecretary.

RIFLES.—Which must be returned after each Practice—may be obtained on application to the N.C.O. in charge of Store, West Yorks Matched, near the Range.

A. CHAPMAN,
Acting Hon. Sec.
Hongkong, 25th October, 1897. [164]

CHINA NAVIGATION COMPANY,
LIMITED.

FOR NINGPO AND SHANGHAI.
THE Company's Steamship

"WUHU."

Captain Benson, will be despatched as above TO-MORROW, the 26th instant, at 3 P.M.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,
Agents.
Hongkong, 25th October, 1897. [167]

CHINA NAVIGATION COMPANY,
LIMITED.

FOR CHEFOO AND TIENSIN.
THE Company's Steamship

"KAI FONG."

Captain Wright, will be despatched as above TO-MORROW, the 26th instant, at 4 P.M.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,
Agents.
Hongkong, 25th October, 1897. [157]

DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP COMPANY,
LIMITED.

FOR SWATOW, AMOY AND FOOCHOW.
THE Company's Chartered Steamer

"NANYANG."

Captain Lehmann, will be despatched for the above Ports on WEDNESDAY, the 27th instant, at 10 A.M.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

DOUGLAS LAPRAK & CO.,
General Managers.
Hongkong, 25th October, 1897. [164]

NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA.

JAPAN-BOMBAY LINE.
MONTHLY SERVICE.
(Under Mail Contract.)

FOR SINGAPORE, COLOMBO AND BOMBAY.

(Taking cargo on through Bills of Lading to JAVA PORTS.)

THE Company's Steamship

"YAMAGUCHI MARU."

Captain S. Kawamura, will be despatched as above Ports on TUESDAY, the 2nd November, at 2 P.M.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA.
Hongkong, 25th October, 1897. [1619]

FOR SAN FRANCISCO.

THE 100 At American Ship

"NEW YORK."

Peabody, Master, shortly expected here, will load for the above Port, and will have quick despatch.

For Freight, apply to

SHEWAN, TOME & CO.
Hongkong, 25th September, 1897. [1625]

DAKIN, CRUCKSHANK & COMPANY.

VICTORIA DISPENSARY,
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DAKIN, CRUCKSHANK & CO.'s WATERS are made under the constant supervision of a duly qualified English Chemist, and will bear comparison with the best English Manufactures.

Special terms to HOTELS, CLOTHES MERCHANTS and other Large Concerns.

Any complaints should be addressed to the Manager.

Hongkong, 10th March, 1897. [1665]

Intimation.

A. S. WATSON & CO.,

LIMITED.

BY APPOINTMENT.

WINES & SPIRITS.

WE beg to call attention to our PRICE LIST OF WINES AND SPIRITS as below:

As these are all selected and bought first hand by our London House we save any future profits and are thereby enabled to supply the best qualities at Moderate Prices.

PORT.

(For Invalids and General Use).

Per Case. Per Bot.

	Per Case.	Per Bot.
B VINTAGE, superior quality, Red Capsule.	\$ 4.40	\$ 1.20
C FINE OLD VINTAGE, superior quality, Black Seal Capsule.	16.30	1.35
D VERY FINE OLD VINTAGE, extra special, Violet Capsule (Old Bottled).	20.40	1.70

SHERRY.

(Per Case. Per Bot.

	Per Case.	Per Bot.
B SUPERIOR PALE DRY, dinner wine, Green Seal Capsule.	\$ 16.30	\$ 0.90
C MANZANILLA, PALE NATURAL SHERRY, White Capsule.	12.00	1.00
CC SUPERIOR OLD DRY, PALE NATURAL SHERRY, Red Seal Capsule.	18.00	1.00
D VERY SUPERIOR OLD DRY, choice old wine, White Seal Capsule.	14.40	1.30
E EXTRA SUPERIOR OLD DRY, very fine quality, Black Seal Capsule (Old Bottled).	20.40	1.70

B, C and CC are excellent dinner Wines or for Invalids and delicate stomachs. D and E are after-dinner Wines of a very superior vintage. All are true Xeres Wines.

OLABET.

(Per Case. Per Bot.

	Per Case.	Per Bot.
B ST. ESTEPHE, Red Capsule.	\$ 6.96	\$ 1.76
C ST. JULIEN, Red Capsule.	9.00	0.90
D LA. ROSE, Red Capsule.	12.00	1.10
E SAINT FOY.	7.20	0.60
F CUSAC.	9.60	1.00
G CHATEAU D'ANGLADE.	13.20	1.40
H CHATEAU HAUT BRION.	15.60	1.50
I CHATEAU MOUTON D'ARMAN-	18.00	1.80
J HAQQ.	21.00	2.20

Our Claret, including the lowest priced, are guaranteed to be the genuine product of the vine of the grape, and are not artificially made from raisins and currants, as is generally the case with cheap Wines.

BRANDY.

(Per Case. Per Bot.

	Per Case.	Per Bot.
A HENNESSY'S OLD PALE, Red Capsule.	\$ 18.00	\$ 1.50
B SUPERIOR VERY OLD COGNAC, Red Capsule.	21.00	1.75
C VERY OLD LIQUEUR COGNAC.	24.00	2.00
V.O. D HENNESSY'S FINEST VERY OLD LIQUEUR COGNAC, 1873 Vintage, Red Capsule.	36.00	3.00
V.V.O. E FINEST VERY OLD LIQUEUR COGNAC, 1862 Vintage.	48.00	4.00

All our Brandy is guaranteed to be pure Cognac, the difference in price being merely a question of age and vintage.

WHISKY.

(Per Case. Per Bot.

	Per Case.	Per Bot.
A TICHTY'S BLEND, White Capsule.	\$ 10.80	\$ 0.90
B WATSON'S GLENORCHY MILD BLEND, Blue Capsule, with Name and Trade Mark.	10.80	0.90
C WATSON'S ABERLOUR-GLENORCHY BLEND, Red Capsule, with Name and Trade Mark.	12.00	1.00
D WATSON'S H. K. BLEND OF THE FINEST SCOTCH MALT WHISKIES, Violet Capsule.	14.40	1.20
E WATSON'S VERY OLD LIQUEUR SCOTCH WHISKY, Gold Capsule.	15.00	1.25

DANIEL CRAWFORD'S FINEST VERY OLD SCOTCH WHISKY.

SCOTCH.

(Per Case. Per Bot.

	Per Case.	
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THE HONGKONG TELEGRAPH, MONDAY, OCTOBER 25, 1897.

I have every reason to adhere to my confidence in the resources of Hongkong and its financial soundness. A handsome advance has been secured on the price at present paid for the Opium Farm, and I wish I could look forward with equal certainty to a rise in the sterling value of the dollar.

As regards the events of the year, with one exception to which I shall refer later, there is but little to record. The Capital Superintendent of Police reports a period of comparative peace. There are, however, two noteworthy items of "Police news" to which I may refer. The first is the placing of District Watchmen on Police beats under the supervision of Europeans between the hours of 6 p.m. and 6 a.m., thus re-inforcing the Police by forty auxiliaries of a very useful stamp.

The arrangement has so far worked satisfactorily, and it is hoped that the additional protection thus afforded will tend to reduce the number of armed gang robberies, which are only too frequent in the winter months. The other innovation is the withdrawal of the Night and Light Regulations. Night Passes were first introduced in 1857, when, no doubt, good reasons existed for such a stringent measure. In this present year of grace, however, such restrictions cannot but be regarded as a relic of a barbarous past and inconsistent, in these enlightened times, with the liberty of the subject. Results have justified the repeal of these Regulations, and I am sure the relief has been fully appreciated by the respectable Chinese.

And here, I must refer with great regret to the grave irregularities which have recently been shown to exist in the Police Force and in other Departments of the Government Services, amongst the subordinate officers. You are aware of the action taken by the Government in this matter, and I trust that whilst you have given practical effect to the former, I have not failed in my fulfilment of the latter. (Applause.)

It remains to mention one other event of great importance to the trade of this Colony, viz., the opening of the West River ports to Foreign trade on the 3rd June last. You will recollect that in my address to you of the 23rd November, 1895, I assured you that although for a time, at least, local interests might necessarily be postponed in favour of purely Imperial interests, this question had by no means been lost sight of.

The result has proved that I was justified in making that statement, and it affords me much pleasure to have witnessed before my departure the accomplishment of this object. When communication has been satisfactorily established between Hongkong and the West River ports, this Colony will, doubtless, share to the fullest extent in the benefits to be reaped from these additional fields for commercial enterprise.

My relations with the Chinese community of this Colony have always been of the most cordial nature. I have had no reason to change my earlier-formed impression of their industrious, peaceful, and law-abiding qualities. On the other hand, I have had every reason to adhere to my original promise that they would not be in me not only a Governor but also a friend. And if on one or two occasions I have had to disguise my good intentions under the cloak of official authority, I have on such occasions endeavoured to combine firmness with consideration for their feelings and national customs. My object has always been to promote their welfare and secure their best interest.

In proof of the sincerity of these professions, if any such proof is required, I would refer to the concessions granted during the Plague Epidemic of 1894 under circumstances which involved a very large degree of responsibility. I would also mention the support accorded by the Government to the Peking Kuk, which has enabled that charitable Society to erect a new home, which I opened in person, and to continue its beneficial work under more favourable circumstances. Great improvements also have been effected in the administration and sanitary condition of the Tung Wa Hospital, the benefits of which are already evident and are daily becoming more appreciated by the native community.

I have already referred to the modification of the Light and Pass Regulations which prove to have been an unnecessary restriction. And if any further illustration is needed of my regard for the interests of the Chinese, I would mention the additional representation on this Council recently accorded to them at my suggestion. (Applause.)

And here I desire to express my indebtedness to the Registrar General, whose knowledge of the Chinese characteristics and of the language, and whose advice in all matters relating to their interests, has always been of the greatest assistance to me.

I cannot conclude my remarks without reference to that unique occasion in the annals of our national history which has recently been celebrated throughout the vast British Empire. I mean, of course, the completion of the sixtieth year of Her Majesty's reign.

It is impossible to appreciate adequately or relatively the enthusiastic expressions of loyalty, respect, and devotion towards our beloved Queen Empress, which that commemoration called forth from countless millions of British subjects throughout the world; but I venture to state that in no other corner of British territory were those expressions more spontaneous and sincere in their utterance, or more practical proof of their sincerity furnished, than in this remote Colony of Hongkong.

Gentlemen, I am proud of the loyalty of this community; and it will always be a pleasing reminiscence of my life that I had the privilege of representing our august Sovereign in Hongkong on that occasion. I trust that you will continue to co-operate with the Imperial Government for the defence and maintenance of that immense Empire, of which this Colony is a small but not unimportant part.

In conclusion, I thank you for your patient hearing. I have endeavoured to illustrate, in the course of my remarks, a marked progress during the last six years—financial, commercial, industrial, and social—a progress upon which the Secretary of State for the Colonies in a recent despatch has pleased to comment in favourable terms, and which the result of a comparison between the Hongkong of 1891 and the Hongkong of to-day places beyond all doubt.

I appreciate the enterprising spirit of the community which has contributed to that result, and I trust that I have not failed in the fulfilment of my desire to encourage that spirit and promote that enterprise.

I thank you, Gentlemen, for your co-operation in the past, and I rely on a continuance of your loyal support and valuable assistance during the remainder of my term of office.

It is a source of gratification to me that I have been connected with this Colony during a period of prosperity. I need hardly say that I contemplate my approaching departure with regret, and whilst I feel assured that I shall take away with me an expression of your good-will, I trust that I may also have gained, in some degree, the confidence and respect of the entire community. (Applause.)

The Hon. C. P. Chater said he had listened with the greatest possible pleasure to the Governor's remarks on the estimates and he thought that all other members of the Council had done the same.

FIRST READINGS.

On the motion of the Colonial Secretary the Supply Bill for 1898, was read a first time, and the first reading of the following bills, moved by the Attorney-General were also carried.—Chief Executive Ordinance (1895) Amendment, Ordinance, Consolidation Amendment Bill, Waterworks Amendment, Ordinance of 1890, Naturalisation Ordinance, Insanity, Dwellings Ordinance No. 4, and Vagrancy Law Amendment Ordinance.

Mr. C. P. Kowloon Wharf Tramway.

The Hon. J. S. Bell Irving moved the second reading of the Hongkong & Kowloon Wharf & Godown Company Tramway Bill. The motion was agreed to and the bill was read a third time, taken into Committee with a few verbal amendments and passed.

ANNUAL REPORT.

The Council being adjourned till this day week

THE V. R. C. SMOKER.

The Committee and the able and painstaking Hon. Secretary of the Victoria Recreation Club are to be congratulated upon the success which attended their efforts to give the members and their friends a few hours' amusement last Saturday evening, for not only was an excellent menu provided but the greatest care and forethought had evidently been exercised in converting the gymnasium into a cosy, prettily decorated, well ventilated and adequately lighted concert room. The scenery too was new and appropriate, and Mr. William Farmer ("Sweet William" as the *Box of Cards* christened him), who devoted many hours to the preparation of it, was the recipient of a richly deserved compliment from the chair and a "call" from the audience followed by perfect storm of applause when he came forward and bowed his acknowledgment.

Sharp at 9.15 the popular Chairman (Comdr. W. C. H. Hastings) took his seat beside Mr. T. H. Reid, the Hon. Secretary, and from that time till about midnight the fun was kept up almost incessantly, song following song in such quick succession that the time passed rapidly and the deep-toned bell of the *Victor Harmonium* chimed the hour of midnight long before the company expected it.

Mr. E. Mirov was the first on deck and he gave "Blondel's Lied" in his best style; his enunciation was very clear and his rendering full of expression, showing a depth of feeling that is not often noticeable on the amateur stage. He was loudly applauded and for his clever performance, in the second part, on the other hand, he was cheered to the echo. Mr. W. Muskett scored greatly in his interpretation of the "Dream of Eugene Aram," the wide knowledge he has of the stage and his ability to suit actions to words fairly astonishing those who had not seen this clever comedian a few years ago on the boards of the Theatre Royal, when he was a tower of strength to the "Stanley Awfuls." Good as he was in the recitation, his rendering of the topical song "The paper says so" in the second part put his previous efforts completely in the shade. The appearance of Mr. C. H. Grace, who followed Mr. Muskett, before the footlights was the signal for a great outburst of applause, and when he had ended he was given a hearty round of applause and a encore. Mr. Wright acted as pianist during the evening and the intervals between the various items were pleasantly filled in, in the way peculiar to such gatherings. In a felicitous little speech Mr. Smith proposed "The Visitors." Captain Austin, R.N.R. and Staff Engineer Kerr responded. On the motion of Mr. W. H. Prince a hearty vote of thanks was accorded the president and committee. Mr. Blodfield responded, and a similar compliment was paid to Mr. Wright the pianist, on the motion of Mr. Boughton. The proceedings terminated with the singing of "Auld Lang Syne" and the National Anthem.

NAVAL SMOKING CONCERT.

The members of the Royal Naval Warrant Officers' Club gave a highly successful smoking concert at their rooms, Praya East, on Saturday night and there was a good attendance of visitors. The "smoke sights" at the Warrant Officers' Club are always highly appreciated by those who have the good fortune to be invited and the latest gathering proved no exception to the rule. Mr. C. Blodfield presided and among those present were Capt. Austin, R.N.R., Lieut. Stephens, R.E., Staff Engineer Kerr, Messrs. T. Gray, J. Smith, W. H. Prince, Wingate, Stringer, F. Clark, F. J. Stock, F. Boughton, Thomas (son, secretary), Rolfe, Barry, and Crocker. Mr. Wright acted as pianist during the evening and gave the almost satisfaction. The programme consisted of some 20 songs, recitations and instrumental selections and the talent displayed of generally of a very good order. Messrs. Prince, Wingate, Kerr, and Skinner also contributed songs, Mr. Wright played solo on the fife and piccolo and the intervals between the various items were pleasantly filled in, in the way peculiar to such gatherings. In a felicitous little speech Mr. Smith proposed "The Visitors." Captain Austin, R.N.R. and Staff Engineer Kerr responded. On the motion of Mr. W. H. Prince a hearty vote of thanks was accorded the president and committee. Mr. Blodfield responded, and a similar compliment was paid to Mr. Wright the pianist, on the motion of Mr. Boughton. The proceedings terminated with the singing of "Auld Lang Syne" and the National Anthem.

TIDAL WAVE DISASTER IN THE PHILIPPINES.

GREAT LOSS OF LIFE.

IMMENSE DESTRUCTION OF HEMP CROPS.

A thoroughly trustworthy correspondent writes as follows:—

A terrible disaster has happened in the South of those islands. A tidal wave, about ten feet high, broke over the coasts of Leyte and Samar. It is reported that 20,000 lives were lost and the densely populated town of Tacloban completely wrecked and that the fort of Guiuan and Borenigan have been swept off the face of the earth. As usual, on such occasions there are all sorts of exaggerated rumours flying about but it is beyond question that something extremely serious has happened. Several million dollars worth of property (crops, etc., etc.) have been lost, and in addition there has been great loss of life and the destruction of both public and private buildings is enormous.

Hemp (and the very best quality of it) will probably run short in consequence of this disaster and experts who have sold short to Hongkong may soon be pretty hard pressed. The great damage done by the wave is said to be due to the great mass of water forced into the Straits of San Juanico. These straits are very narrow and the wave was driven in as in a funnel, and broke with so much the greater violence over the neighbouring coasts of Leyte and Samar.

THE REBELLION.

Latest news from the front is to the effect that rebels burn the village of Gerone two days ago, but fortunately they did not touch Messrs. Smith, Bell & Co.'s large rice mill. The rebels are doing just what they please and the Government is apparently quite unable to check them. The insurrection is now in fact no nearer as than it was in September, 1896. All talk about the pacification of the provinces and "crushing defeat" is probably run short in consequence of this disaster and experts who have sold short to Hongkong may soon be pretty hard pressed.

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SAMANA, September 30th.

The Amirs has issued a notification in Jalsabad and the surrounding districts prohibiting his subjects taking any part in the gatherings on the frontier under penalty of K. T. co. Some disciples of the Haddi Mullah caught disobeying have been sent to Kabul. There is no Afzil gathering now in the Khyber districts.

The *Lashkar* which arrived from Tirah early this week dispersed on hearing that the principal Mullahs were sending their families to Afghan territory and were themselves preparing for flight.

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The political situation is unchanged and all is quiet. The distribution of troops is as follows:—

At Kohat—Four guns 3rd Field Battery, a garrison battery, a squadron of the Central India Horse, four companies Royal Scots Fusiliers, the 2nd Punjab Infantry, Field Engineers.

At Fazla—Three guns 3rd Field Battery, one squadron Central India Horse, 3rd Punjab Infantry, 2nd Gurkhas, who proceed to Samana.

At Deobai—Two guns 6th Field Battery, one squadron 3rd Punjab Cavalry, half battalion 3rd Punjab Infantry, seven companies 3rd Sikhs.

At Parachinar—Three guns 3rd Field Battery, (proceed to Deobai) two guns 6th Field Battery, half battalion 6th Gujras.

At Fort Lockhart—Three guns Bengal Mountain Battery, six companies Northamptonshire Regiment, the 26th Sikhs, No. 9 British Mountain Battery.

At Aitao—Two guns Bengal Mountain Battery, the 3rd Bengal Cavalry, the 12th Bengal Infantry, the 15th Sikhs, (one route for Kali), half battalion 5th Punjab Infantry, half battalion of the Kaphurhila Infantry.

At Kal—Three squadrons 11th Bengal Lancers, one squadron 3rd Punjab Cavalry, and Guikas, the 21st Madras Pioneers.

At Shikarpur—One squadron 18th Bengal Light Cavalry, four companies Madras Sappers, the Shikarpur Sappers, the Malakai Kotal Sappers, 1-3rd Gurkhas, the 3rd Bengal Infantry.

At Tora—Three squadrons of the 6th Bengal Cavalry, two companies of the Royal Irish, one company of the 3rd Sikhs.

At Aitao—One squadron of the 6th Bengal Cavalry, four companies of the Kaphurhila Infantry.

At Ustrial—One troop of the Central India Horse.

At Gulistan—Four companies of the Bengal Sappers.

BOMBAY, October 4th.

The Queen has again telegraphed to the Viceroy of India expressing her anxiety for the wounded and engaged in their condition.

The Amir of Afghanistan has issued a proclamation forbidding his subjects leaving Afghan territory to take part in Jahan on the penalty of a thousand rupees.

The Tirah force has been finally constituted. It consists of 12,000 British and 24,000 native soldiers, 20,000 transport, etc., and followers and 20,000 pack animals. The Mahrattas have intimated their willingness to submit.

BOMBAY, October 6th.

The third Tirah column moves from Pahala on the 8th, 9th and 10th October to Kohat.

The latest news from Jahan is that the Afzils held Jirga last Friday. On learning of the early advance of the troops from Peshawar two divisions of collected tribesmen moved towards Bala Alimzai and Chinar under orders of Akhak Mullah. The Afzils are prepared to offer terms with regard to themselves, Mahrattas, and Swat Bajaur. If not accepted they are prepared for hostilities.

The Lower Mahratta—who recently declared that they had expelled Haddi Mullah from their country—have agreed to pay a fine and to surrender their chief to the Indian Government. General Elles' brigade is alone advancing against the tribesmen belonging to the Upper Mahratta districts, who are alleged to be in the Balak '00,000 strong. General Blood has been ordered to chastise the Mahratta, another troublesome tribe inhabiting the northern end of the Swat Valley.

Colonel Jacobs reports that the garrison at the fort of Saragat, consisting of twenty-one men of the 36th Regiment of Sikhs, which recently offered such a heroic resistance against several thousand of the Ozbakhs, killed 100 tribesmen before they were finally overpowered and slaughtered by the rebels.

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CALENDAR.

OCTOBER.

Meteorological means based on ten years' observations to 1893.

Barometer 30.091
Thermometer 76.3
Humidity 70
Rainfall 4.78

TO-DAY.

WEATHER REPORT.

On date at On date at
10 a.m. 4 p.m.
Barometer 30.07 30.03
Thermometer 73 74
Humidity 68 65
Rainfall 0 0

TO-DAY.

Monday, 25th October, 1897.
(St. Crispin.)

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CHOISONNES, JADES AND
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THE Undersigned has received instructions to Sell by PUBLIC AUCTION ON SATURDAY, the 30th October, 1897, Commencing at 2.30 P.M., at his SALES ROOMS, DUDELL STREET, A LADY AND VALUABLE COLLECTION OF OLD CHINESE PORCELAIN, CHOISONNES &c., from Sung and Ming Dynasties, the REIGNS OF TUNG-CHING, KANGHI, KIENLUNG, &c. &c. Comprising:—

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MASONIC.

VICTORIA CHAPTER, No. 525, E.C.

A REGULAR CONVOCATION of the above CHAPTER will be held in the FREEMASONS' HALL, Zetland Street, TO-MORROW, the 26th instant, at 5 for 5.30 p.m. precisely. Visiting Companions are cordially invited to attend. Hongkong, 19th October, 1897. [1589]

PRESEVERANCE LODGE OF HONGKONG, No. 1, 165.

A EMERGENCY MEETING of the above LODGE will be held in the FREEMASONS' HALL, Zetland Street, TO-MORROW, the 26th instant, at 8.30 for 9 p.m. precisely. Visiting Brethren are cordially invited to attend. Hongkong, 23rd October, 1897. [1614]

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Hongkong, 21st October, 1897. [1599]

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Hongkong, 23rd October, 1897. [1619]

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Hongkong, 23rd October, 1897. [1615]

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Hongkong, 19th October, 1897. [1619]

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Haynes, Master, will be despatched for the above port on about 8th November.

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S.S. "FERNFIELD" on or about 5th Dec.

S.S. "YARROWDALE" on or about 15th Dec.

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SHEWAN, TOMES & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, 22nd October, 1897. [1448]

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Captain Riley, will be despatched as above on TUESDAY, the 9th November.

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Hongkong, 21st October, 1897. [1602]

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Hongkong, 17th June, 1897. [1557]

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Hongkong, 26th August, 1897. [1522]

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Hongkong, 21st September, 1897. [1446]

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